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BLM extends public scoping period and schedules virtual public meeting for proposed Dry Creek Trona Project

KEMMERER, Wyo. – The Bureau of Land Management is seeking public input on a proposed Trona mine that could be located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The BLM will hold a virtual public scoping meeting to discuss the proposed project on June 2, 2022, from 4 to 6 pm. The BLM is also extending the scoping period for the NOI and will accept comments on the project through June 17, 2022.

“It is important to us that we provide the public an overview of the project, then allow sufficient time to express their concerns and comments following the presentation of the project at the meeting. We are at the beginning stage of the analysis process, and we encourage all who are interested in this project to provide information that would be beneficial to the analysis,” said BLM Kemmerer Field Manager Aaron Mier.

The proposed Dry Creek Trona Project would be located on approximately 6,000 acres south of the town of Green River, Wyoming. Mining could occur for up to 25 years. The project proposal includes construction of mining facilities and would employ solution mining technologies to mine leased trona on BLM-administered land. Trona is a mineral used to make baking soda as well as soda ash, which is a component of lithium batteries and glass used for solar energy.

Information regarding the virtual meeting can be found on the BLM’s ePlanning website at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2016395/510>. You can register for the virtual public meeting by visiting https://swca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IVChRwZTRhuXE8iC3hNI7w. Please submit comments electronically through the ePlanning website linked above or by mail to the Bureau of Land Management Kemmerer Field Office, Attn: Kelly Lamborn, 430 North Highway, Kemmerer, WY 83101.

Those who provide comments are advised that, before including their address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information, they should be aware that the entire comment, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While those commenting can ask in their comments to have their personal identifying information withheld from public review, the BLM cannot guarantee that they will be able to do so.

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